

### Town of Arlington Board of Selectmen

#### **Meeting Agenda**

January 9, 2017
7:15 PM
Selectmen's Chambers, 2nd Floor, Town Hall

#### **PROCLAMATIONS**

 Proclamation: Nancy and Chuck Pappas - Swifty Printing Kevin F. Greeley, Selectmen

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

2. Minutes of Meeting: December 19, 2016

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

3. Open Space Committee
Elisabeth Carr-Jones (term to expire 1/31/2020)

#### CITIZENS OPEN FORUM - SIGN IN PRIOR TO BEGINNING OF OPEN FORUM

Except in unusual circumstances, any matter presented for consideration of the Board shall neither be acted upon, nor a decision made the night of the presentation in accordance with the policy under which the Open Forum was established. It should be noted that there is a three minute time limit to present a concern or request.

#### TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS / OTHER BUSINESS

- 4. For Approval: Amendment to Schedule I, Traffic Rules and Orders for Cleveland Street Andrea Nicolay, Director of Libraries
- 5. Request: Sign on Letter for Clean Energy, Against New Pipeline Tax & Unnecessary New Pipelines

Mothers Out Front Arlington Carol Saunders Chamberlain, Susan Lees and Anne Wright

- 6. Presentation: Bike Share Working Group Report
  - Bike Share Working Group
- 7. Approval: Minuteman Bikeway 25th Anniversary Committee Roster

Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager

8. Approval: Lake Street/Bikeway Design Review Committee Roster

Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager

9. Discussion: Treasurer/Collector Position

Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager

10. Discussion: Recreational Marijuana

Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager

#### **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

Concerns with Unacceptable Sidewalk Repairs on Lockeland Avenue Carolann DiNitto Howard & Marie DiNitto Bassett

Request Letter to "Opt Out" of Recreational Marijuana Karen Thomas-Alyea

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Next Scheduled Meeting of BoS January 23, 2017.



#### **Town of Arlington, Massachusetts**

Minutes of Meeting: December 19, 2016

#### ATTACHMENTS:

Type		File Name	Description
D	Reference Material	12.19.16_draft_minutes.docx	draft minutes

### TOWN OF ARLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Meeting Minutes Monday, December 19, 2016 6:00 PM

Present: Mrs. Mahon, Chair, Mr. Dunn, Vice Chair, Mr. Greeley, Mr. Curro and Mr. Byrne Also Present: Mr. Chapdelaine, Mr. Heim and Mrs. Krepelka

 Request: To Vote Approval of \$4 Million Borrowing-Bond Anticipation Note For Thompson School Stephen Gilligan, Treasurer
 The Board voted the following:

<u>Voted:</u> to approve the sale of a \$4,000,000 1.40 percent General Obligation Bond Anticipation Note (the "Note") of the Town dated December 21, 2016, and payable December 8, 2017, to Century Bank and Trust Company at par and accrued interest, if any, plus a premium of \$9,800.00.

<u>Further Voted:</u> that in connection with the marketing and sale of the Note, the preparation and distribution of a Notice of Sale and Preliminary Official Statement dated December 9, 2016, and a final Official Statement dated December 14, 2016, each in such form as may be approved by the Town Treasurer, be and hereby are ratified, confirmed, approved and adopted.

<u>Further Voted</u>: that the Town Treasurer and the Board of Selectmen be, and hereby are, authorized to execute and deliver a significant events disclosure undertaking in compliance with SEC Rule 15c2-12 in such form as may be approved by bond counsel to the Town, which undertaking shall be incorporated by reference in the Note for the benefit of the holders of the Note from time to time.

<u>Further Voted:</u> that we authorize and direct the Treasurer to establish post issuance federal tax compliance procedures in such form as the Treasurer and bond counsel deem sufficient, or if such procedures are currently in place, to review and update said procedures, in order to monitor and maintain the tax-exempt status of the Note.

<u>Further Voted</u>: that each member of the Board of Selectmen, the Town Clerk and the Town Treasurer be and hereby are, authorized to take any and all such actions, and execute and deliver such certificates, receipts or other documents as may be determined by them, or any of them, to be necessary or convenient to carry into effect the provisions of the foregoing votes.

I further certify that the votes were taken at a meeting open to the public, that no vote was taken by secret ballot, that a notice stating the place, date, time and agenda for the meeting (which agenda included the adoption of the above votes) was filed with the Town Clerk and a copy thereof posted in a manner conspicuously visible to the public at all hours in or on the municipal building that the office of the Town Clerk is located or, if applicable, in accordance with an alternative method of notice prescribed or approved by the Attorney General as set forth in 940 CMR 29.03(2)(b), at least 48 hours, not including Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays, prior to the time of the meeting and remained so posted at the time of the meeting, that no deliberations or decision in connection with the sale of the Note were taken in executive session, all in accordance with G.L. c.30A, §§18-25 as amended.

Mr. Byrne moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

2. Minutes of Meetings: December 12, 2016

Mr. Greeley moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

3. Request: Contractor/Drainlayer License

R.A. Franchi Corporation, 37 Riverdale Avenue, Newton, MA

Mr. Greeley moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

#### **LICENSES & PERMITS**

4. License Renewals

Contractor/Drainlayer

Wine & Malt Beverages Only Restaurant

All Alcohol Restaurant

All Alcohol Club

All Alcohol Package Store

Theatre License

Common Victualler

Food Vendor

Class I

Class II

Class II Non-Premise/Auctioneer

Lodging Houses/Inn-Keepers

**Public Entertainment** 

Automatic Amusement

Second Hand Dealer

Mr. Dunn moved approval subject to all conditions as set forth.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Mr. Richard Duffy, 122 Appleton Street, appeared before the Board asking them to make clear that if a certain business is to be allowed to retain its license, that it put itself in full and

immediate compliance with each and every applicable by-law of the Town, to include those of signage.

He feels that Selectmen, through their licensing powers are able to ensure that we have the kinds of businesses in Arlington that the residents deserve. Mr. Duffy stated the some people may think that sign violations are petty issues, but he thinks they show a lack of care for premises that is more likely than not to reflect disregard for other laws and regulations of a more serious character. After much discussion regarding the signage problems, Mr. Dunn suggested that the Town Counsel, Town Manager, Director of Planning and the Building Inspector meet to discuss all the problems at said location and report back to the Board if possible on January 9th or at their January 23rd meeting.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Town Manager Chapdelaine informed the Board that the Town of Arlington is being recognized with an award certificate for placing among the top three municipalities in Category 1 (population 12,500 plus) of the MMA's Annual Town Report contest. The MMA will present the award certificates to the award winners at the President's Reception and Awards Ceremony as part of the MMA's 2017 Annual Meeting and Trade Show. The awards ceremony and reception will be on Saturday, January 21, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Constitution Ballroom of the Boston Sheraton Hotel.

Mr. Chapdelaine also announced that he attended today the Retirement Reception for two long time employees of the Police Department Office Staff - Linda Bernier and Maria Biasella. Both employees are retiring the beginning of 2017.

Mr. Greeley announced that Wednesday, December 21st, the Holiday Show which will include the AHS Jazz Band, Madrigal Singers and Selectones will be performing at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium.

Mr. Dunn stated that he attended a Long Range Planning Committee meeting this morning and several options were being discussed regarding the five year plan starting Fiscal 2018.

Mr. Byrne moved to adjourn at 6:30 p.m.

SO VOTED (5-0)

A true record: Attest

Marie A. Krepelka Board Administrator Next Scheduled Meeting of BoS January 9, 2017.

#### 12/19/2016

Agenda	Documents Used	
Item		
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	Thompson School	
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3	Request: Contractor/Drainlayer License, R>A> Franchi Corp., 37 Riverdale Avenue	
	Newton, MA	
4	License & Permits - License Renewals:	
	Contractor/Drainlayer	
	Wine & Malt Beverages Only Restaurant	
	All Alcohol Restaurant	
	All Alcohol Club	
	All Alcohol Package Store	
	Theatre License	
	Common Victualler	
	Food Vendor	
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#### **Town of Arlington, Massachusetts**

#### **Open Space Committee**

#### Summary:

Elisabeth Carr-Jones (term to expire 1/31/2020)

#### ATTACHMENTS:

Type File Name Description

□ Reference Material Ref\_Mat\_1.9.17\_Appt.\_Open\_Space.pdf letter and resume



### Town of Arlington Office of the Town Manager

Adam W. Chapdelaine Town Manager 730 Massachusetts Avenue Arlington MA 02476-4908 Phone (781) 316-3010 Fax (781) 316-3019

E-mail: achapdelaine@town.arlington.ma.us

#### **MEMORANDUM**

DATE:

January 3, 2017

TO:

**Board Members** 

SUBJECT: Appointment to the Open Space Committee

This memo is to request the Board's approval of my appointment of Elisabeth Carr-Jones, 1 Lehigh Street, Arlington, MA 02476, to the Open Space Committee, with a term expiration date of 1/31/2020.

<u> Adam Napdelaune</u> Town Manager 1 Lehigh Street, Arlington MA 02476, 781-648-9026, elisabeth@carr-jones.com

Ann LeRoyer Open Space Committee Chair Arlington MA

6 December 2016

Dear Ann,

This letter is to offer my services to the Open Space Committee as the Vision 2020 Standing Committee Liaison. The Standing Committee is aware of my interest and has sanctioned my serving in that role. It would be an honor to serve.

My connection to Arlington's open spaces has developed over many years. Community gardening has involved me at Robbins Farm Park and in Magnolia Park's renovation planning process. The Transportation Advisory Committee familiarized me with Mt. Gilboa and the Arlington Reservoir. The Symmes Advisory Committee involved me with the Symmes Woods & Vista Park. Walking in Arlington introduced me to the historic Mill Brook corridor. Tai Chi routinely brings me to Spy Pond Park and the Town Hall Gardens. My home in the Ottoson School neighborhood frequently takes me through the Crusher Lot. And I have enjoyed many pleasant hours at Menotomy Rocks Park and Arlington's Great Meadows.

A resume is attached. I look forward to furthering my knowledge of the open spaces of Arlington and working with the Open Space Committee to preserve and enhance them in accordance with the 2015 - 2022 Open Space and Recreation Plan.

Sincerely, Elisabeth Carr-Jones 1 Lehigh Street, Arlington MA 02476, 781-648-9026, elisabeth@carr-jones.com

Work	
1993 - present	Carr-Jones Inc., Arlington MA President: Responsible for graphic and web site design for 2-person corporation providing design and IT services to individuals, non-profits and small businesses
1989 - 1993	Ellenzweig Associates Inc., Cambridge MA Architectural Model Builder and Drafter: Responsible for production of architectural models, drawings, renderings and marketing materials
1978 - 1981	Analytical Systems Engineering Corporation, Burlington MA Electromechanical Drafter and Illustrator with Secret Security Clearance
Education	
1987 - 1993	Boston Architectural College, Boston MA Bachelor of Architecture, 1993
Activities	Co-editor of student newspaper, Design Studio Teaching Assistant, Student Representative on Presidential Search and House Committees
Recognition	John Worthington Ames Scholarship, Edwin T. Steffian Centennial Thesis Award, A.I.A. Certificate of Merit, President's Segment I Portfolio Prize
1981 - 1985	Tufts University, Medford MA Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering, magna cum laude, 1985
Community	
2015 - present	Vision 2020 Standing Committee, Arlington MA Appointed citizen Member by Arlington Redevelopment Board
2009 - present	Robbins Farm Cooperative Learning Garden, Arlington MA Founding Member, Chief Gardening Committee Member
2001 - 2014	Transportation Advisory Committee, Arlington MA Appointed citizen Member for Precincts 8-14, Walking in Arlington Liaison.
Recognition	Good Citizen Award (to each TAC member) 2007, Board of Selectmen Proclamation: 12 May 2014 as Edward Starr and Elisabeth Carr-Jones Day
2001 - 2004	Symmes Advisory Committee, Arlington MA Transportation Advisory Committee Representative, Public Use Task Force
1993 - present	Boston Architectural College, Boston MA Overseer Emeritus, Previous (Overseer Co-Chair, Alumni Nominating Committee Chair, Nominations & Membership Committee Member, Cascieri Lectureship Committee Member and By-Laws Task Force Member).
Publication	The Studio: Models, Drawings and Philosophy of Arcangelo Cascieri, 2002
Recognition	BAC Distinguished Alumni in Service Award, 2003
1999 - 2015	Walking in Arlington, Arlington MA Founding Member, Graphic designer, Historical walking tour monitor
1993 - 2000	Alliance for Animals, Boston MA Member of the Board of Directors, Cat Adoption Center volunteer

#### OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

DIANE M. MAHON, CHAIR DANIEL J. DUNN, VICE CHAIR KEVIN F. GREELEY STEVEN M. BYRNE JOSEPH A. CURRO, JR.



730 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE TELEPHONE 781-316-3020 781-316-3029 FAX

### TOWN OF ARLINGTON MASSACHUSETTS 02476-4908

December 29, 2016

Elisabeth Carr-Jones 1 Lehigh Street Arlington, MA 02476

Re: Appointment: Open Space Committee

Dear Ms. Carr-Jones:

As a matter of the standard appointment procedure, the Board of Selectmen requests that you attend a meeting of the Board of Selectmen at Town Hall, Selectmen's Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 730 Massachusetts Avenue, on Monday, January 9th at 7:15 p.m.

It is a requirement of the Board of Selectmen that you be present at this meeting. Your presence will give the Board an opportunity to meet and discuss matters with you about the area of activity in which you will be involved.

Please contact this office to confirm the date and time with either Mary Ann or Fran at the above number.

Thank you.

Very truly yours, BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Marie A. Krepelka Board Administrator

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#### **Town of Arlington, Massachusetts**

#### For Approval: Amendment to Schedule I, Traffic Rules and Orders for Cleveland Street

#### Summary:

Andrea Nicolay, Director of Libraries

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

	Type	File Name	Description
D	Reference Material	Fox_Parking_Amendment.doc	Request from A. Nicolay
D	Reference Material	Library_Van_Space_@_Fox_Library_2016_(2).doc	x Memo from Officer Rateau



#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Marie Krepelka

**Board Administrator** 

FROM: Andrea Nicolay

Director of Libraries

DATE: December 20, 2016

RE: Request Amendment to Schedule I, Traffic Rules and Orders for Cleveland Street

The Library, in consultation with Traffic Officer Corey Rateau, is requesting that the following amendment be made to Schedule I: Parking, of the Traffic Rules and Orders:

Cleveland Street, West, from a point 49 feet northerly of Massachusetts Avenue to a point 69 feet northerly, to be designated: **Library Van Parking Only**.

This change essentially restores a single-space delivery area directly in front of the doors to the Fox Library which was a "No Parking" zone before the new handicap space was created at the corner of Cleveland and Mass Ave in the fall. The library van delivers books and other materials to and from the Fox Library on a daily basis. This proposed "Library Van Parking Only" area would not impact the handicap parking space.

Thank you, and please let me know if you need any further information.

Andrea Nicolay

Cc: Fred Ryan, Police Chief

Capt. Julie Flaherty, Support Services Commander Lt. Paul Conroy, OIC / Traffic, Details and Licensing Deputy Chief John Kelly, Arlington Fire Department Adam Chapdelaine, Town Manager

Library Board of Trustees

#### ARLINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE Frederick Ryan



POLICE HEADQUARTERS 112 Mystic Street Telephone 781-316-3900 Facsimile 781-316-3919

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Marie Krepelka

**Board Administrator** 

FROM: Officer Corey P. Rateau

Traffic and Parking Unit

DATE: December 27, 2016

RE: Library Director's Request to Amend Schedule 1 (Parking), Traffic Rules and Orders,

Cleveland Street

At the request of the Town Manager, I met with the Library Director, Andrea Nicolay, to assist her with designating a parking space in front of the Cleveland Street entrance to Fox Library. This space would be for library van to make it's deliveries between the two library branches in town. Measurements were taken to leave the recently designated handicap parking space at 21 feet and provide a 20 foot space directly behind it for the van. I am in support of her memo dated December 20, 2016 requesting this amendment to the Parking Schedule.

Please note that upon discussion with Ms. Nicolay, no time restrictions were put in to make this space available for other vehicles when not used by the library van. The hours at the Fox Library vary daily from early in the morning to late in the evening and the van has no set delivery schedule. To try and leave an open space around these variations would require a very confusing sign. However, if there is a desire to make it available for other vehicles, then I would suggest that Sundays and Holidays be excluded. There would be no net loss to parking on the street as this entire section had been a "No Parking" zone for at least the 21+ years that I've been a member of this Department until several weeks ago when the handicap space was added.

Please feel free to contact me if there are any other questions.

Cc: Frederick Ryan, Police Chief

Capt. Julie Flaherty, Support Services Commander Lt. Paul Conroy, OIC / Traffic, Details and Licensing Adam Chapdelaine, Town Manager Andrea Nicolay, Library Director



#### **Town of Arlington, Massachusetts**

#### Request: Sign on Letter for Clean Energy, Against New Pipeline Tax & Unnecessary New Pipelines

#### Summary:

Mothers Out Front Arlington Carol Saunders Chamberlain, Susan Lees and Anne Wright

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

	Type	File Name	Description
D	Reference Material	Mothers_Out_Front_Letter.docx	request letter
D	Reference Material	Mothers_Out_Front_Sign_On_Letter_for_Mayors_and_Boards_of_Selectmen.docx	sign on letter
D	Reference Material	Mothers_Out_Front_Supplemental_info_re_sign_on_letterSL.docx	supplemental information

To the Arlington Board of Selectmen:

As you know, the climate crisis continues to worsen, and we urgently need to reduce our greenhouse gas emissions, not increase them. One of the most effective strategies for doing so is to actively oppose the creation of new pipelines that facilitate fossil fuel distribution and consumption. Mass Power Forward is circulating a letter addressed to the state legislature for mayors and members of boards of selectmen to sign stating opposition to new gas pipelines and the pipeline tax and stating support for renewable energy and reducing energy consumption. A copy of it is attached here.

This letter affirms our values and our practices as a community. It would be great if the Arlington Board of Selectman could sign on, after any necessary process to formalize that decision.

The deadline to sign on is January 20 in order to release it prior to the formal start of the Commonwealth's legislative session.

Thanks for considering this request. Any questions regarding the letter itself can be directed to Emily Kirkland whose contact information is below, and who is cc'd on this email.

Thank you for your leadership on this issue.

Sincerely,

Carol Saunders Chamberlain, Susan Lees and Anne Wright Mothers Out Front Arlington

Emily Kirkland contact information:

Emily Kirkland
Director of Organizing
350 Mass for a Better Future

C: 646-623-5271

E: emily@betterfutureproject.o rg



Honorable Robert DeLeo, Speaker of the House Massachusetts State House Room 356 Boston, MA 02133

Honorable Stanley Rosenberg, Senate President Massachusetts State House Room 332 Boston, MA 02133

Dear Speaker DeLeo, Senate President Rosenberg, & Honorable Members of the Massachusetts Legislature:

We write to you as municipal leaders from communities across the Commonwealth, who, through energy efficiency upgrades, clean energy projects, and the adoption of effective policies and programs, are leading the charge against the deleterious effects wrought by climate change. We commend the Legislature's rejection last session of the utility-proposed "pipeline tax" and urge you to stand united against efforts to undermine the August ruling by the Supreme Judicial Court (SJC), as well as local and state climate gains achieved to date.

Toward that end and on behalf of our shared constituents, our communities, and our state's future, we ask you to support legislation that will:

- Prohibit the harmful and unnecessary "pipeline tax."
- Prevent any other scheme to force consumers to accept unnecessary pipelines that we cannot afford and that would prevent us from complying with the law.
- Prioritize greater investment in energy efficiency/demand response, renewable resources, and energy storage.

These provisions will benefit the residents in our communities and are in line with the clean energy visions we share for our cities and towns.

The court's ruling that the pipeline tax violates the 1997 Restructuring Act was unambiguous. Yet, despite this decision, overwhelming public opposition, and rejection by this Legislature, investors in Spectra's Access Northeast project are undeterred from pursuing alternate avenues to financing their pipeline.

New pipelines pose multiple threats to our communities. Residents living along the proposed routes face destruction of local natural resources and a devaluation of their property. Families living near related infrastructure, like compressor stations, also face serious negative health impacts. Everyone will face the impacts of the substantial

increase in our state's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions that conflict with the Global Warming Solutions Act (GWSA). Our constituents will also be harmed financially. The adoption of a "pipeline tax" – whether by electric utilities or by gas utilities contracting for excessive pipeline capacity – will burden all ratepayers, regardless of where they live. They will be exposed to the price volatility of natural gas, and be responsible for paying for the pipelines even if they turn out to be unneeded, or are used to export natural gas abroad.

Massachusetts must take decisive action to meet the requirements of the Global Warming Solutions Act (GWSA). As noted in the reliability assessment commissioned by Attorney General Healey's office, increasing reliance on fossil fuel consumption takes us in the entirely wrong direction. Moreover, not only do we not need additional pipelines to power the grid, but there are more cost effective ways to meet our energy needs – namely energy efficiency and demand response.

Expanded gas infrastructure also contradicts the vision our residents have for their communities. Our cities and towns are leading by example, achieving substantial GHG emission reductions. This in turn contributes to Massachusetts' ability to meet its GWSA mandate and its commitments to clean energy growth. There are many opportunities to reduce consumption and costs even further. Thus, we remain steadfast in our opposition to any proposal that attempts to circumvent the SJC ruling, particularly when doing so will result in an oversized natural gas pipeline whose costs and risks will be borne by people in our communities. We look to you to also hold the line in the interest of our shared constituents.

Massachusetts must lead by example in pursuit of clean energy and climate action, propelled by the work of cities and towns like ours. Together we must safeguard against efforts to reimagine the pipeline tax, to enable oversubscription schemes, or to facilitate the buildout of unnecessary, oversized gas infrastructure.

Thank you for your consideration.		
Sincerely,		
Name, Title and Town/City		

Signature

CC Honorable House Members Honorable Senators

### A note about the Mass Power Forward coalition, which put the sign on letter project together:

Mothers Out Front is an active participant in the Mass Power Forward coalition. Sustainable Arlington is part of the Mass Climate Action Network, which is also part of the Coalition.

The coalition consists of about 150 organizations: environmental groups, community development organizations, clean energy businesses, faith groups, neighborhood health and safety advocates and Massachusetts families fighting for our future. We believe our state and region can power forward with clean, affordable, reliable energy and a thriving economy. We have no other choice.

If you would like more info about Mass Power Forward, you can go to the following link: <a href="http://mapowerforward.com/">http://mapowerforward.com/</a>

#### Why is the sign on letter important?

The sign on letter for local elected officials re the 'pipeline tax' and new pipelines will be particularly used in support of upcoming legislation which will:

- Prohibit the harmful and unnecessary "pipeline tax."
- Prevent any other scheme to force consumers to accept unnecessary pipelines that we cannot afford and that would prevent us from complying with the law.
- Prioritize greater investment in energy efficiency/demand response, renewable resources, and energy storage.

#### The "pipeline tax" is not definitively dead:

As you may know, Spectra, Eversource and National Grid are still working to achieve a MA pipeline tax through state legislation, which can 'supersede' the ruling of the Supreme Judicial Court against the tax.

#### In answer to questions about whether we really need more new gas pipelines:

First, we refer you to the Attorney General's study which:

- Showed increased gas capacity is not needed to meet the state's electric reliability needs
- found no regional electric reliability issues through 2030

 found cheaper, cleaner alternatives to new gas pipelines to meet worst case power scenarios

Here is a link to the AG's Study:

 $\underline{http://www.mass.gov/ago/news-and-updates/press-releases/2015/2015-11-18-electric-reliability-study.html}$ 

Second, we should be fixing gas leaks rather than building new pipelines. A January 2015 study by scientists at Harvard University estimated that there are roughly 20,000 gas leaks in the greater Boston area, and fixing just those leaks would yield enough gas to heat roughly 200,000 homes!

(Source: <a href="https://www.bostonglobe.com/metro/2015/08/20/new-law-casts-light-state-natural-gas-leaks/qJJPCjRZITc5ai0JeHNOqO/story.html">https://www.bostonglobe.com/metro/2015/08/20/new-law-casts-light-state-natural-gas-leaks/qJJPCjRZITc5ai0JeHNOqO/story.html</a>

We need to transition to clean energy – now -- not tax citizens to pay for new unnecessary gas pipelines.

#### Natural gas is not clean energy.

"Natural gas" is 95% methane – a potent greenhouse gas.

Over a 20 year time frame, methane warms the planet 86 times more than carbon dioxide.

#### Sources:

https://thinkprogress.org/more-bad-news-for-fracking-ipcc-warns-methane-traps-much-more-heat-than-we-thought-9c2badf392df#.waekjgbgr
http://www.scientificamerican.com/article/how-bad-of-a-greenhouse-gas-is-methane/

#### Fracked natural gas is even worse – it has added toxins.

New pipeline infrastructure would carry fracked gas from the Appalachian Basin.

Like all large fracked gas pipeline projects, Spectra's Algonquin pipeline expansion is a huge toxic, industrial infrastructure consisting of compressor stations, metering and regulating stations, pigging facilities, LNG (liquid natural gas) storage terminals, and more. Fracked gas coming through this infrastructure carries toxic and carcinogenic chemicals as well as radioactive

elements from the fracking sites. These are released at many points in the distribution system. In addition, 'blow-downs' at compressor stations release volatile organic compounds and other toxins.

#### Sources:

 $\underline{https://content.sierraclub.org/grassrootsnetwork/team-news/2015/08/what-health-conditions-are-associated-compressor-station-emissions}$ 

Mass Health Care Professionals Against Fracked Gas mhcpafg.org



#### **Town of Arlington, Massachusetts**

**Presentation: Bike Share Working Group Report** 

Summary:

Bike Share Working Group

**ATTACHMENTS:** 

Type File Name Description

Reference Material Ref\_Mat\_1.9.17\_BikesharePresentation\_1.6.17\_final.pdf report

# Bringing Bike-Share to Arlington



An Arlington Bike-Share Working Group Presentation January 9, 2017

# Bike-Share Working Group

 Includes representatives from the Bicycle Advisory Committee and the Transportation Advisory Committee

 Tasked with researching options for bringing bike-share to Arlington

### What is Bike-Share?

Bike-share systems provide a network of stations with publicly available bikes, available to users for short trips at low cost.

### Benefits

- Increase accessibility to businesses
- Increase the reach of transit
- Improve public health
- Attract new cyclists
- Reduce congestion and improve air quality
- Improve the municipality's branding and image
- Generate investment in local business and industry

# System Options

Option	Description
Zagster	Create a Minuteman Bikeway bike-share system with bicycles available in Arlington, Lexington, and Bedford. Arlington would lease the stations and bikes from Zagster, who is responsible for maintenance and customer support.
Hubway	Arlington becomes part of the Hubway system, which currently includes bicycle stations in Boston, Brookline, Cambridge, and Somerville. Arlington would purchase the stations and bikes, with system services, maintenance, and customer support provided by Hubway operator Motivate.
Local system	The entire system is fully owned, operated, and maintained by the municipality or through a collaboration between the municipality and local businesses, community groups, and/or other entities. A local example is Salem Spins.

# System Merits

Option	Advantages	Disadvantages
Zagster	<ul> <li>Potential interoperability with other Minuteman bikeway communities</li> <li>Bikes and stations appropriate for longer recreational rides</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No interoperability with Somerville, Cambridge, Boston, Brookline</li> <li>Full interoperability depends on action by Lexington and Bedford</li> <li>Would require new rider recruitment</li> <li>Limited station technology and system services (ie: balancing)</li> </ul>
Hubway	<ul> <li>Interoperable with Somerville, Cambridge, Boston and Brookline*</li> <li>Existing rider base in Arlington (200 current members)</li> <li>Established technology and system services</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Point-to-point usage model works best with a high density of stations, which requires initial investment</li> <li>Uncertainty to cost structure depending on sponsorships and user fee revenue</li> </ul>
Local system	<ul><li>Can be tailored to Arlington's needs</li><li>Potential for innovation</li></ul>	<ul><li>No interoperability with neighboring communities</li><li>Would require new rider recruitment</li></ul>

### Zagster Bicycle

#### The Bike

Adjustable seat fits adult riders

Smart keypad control allows for quick checkout

Fenders and chain guard keep riders clean

Mounted ring lock immobilizes bike when not in use



8 gear shifting

Bell

Convenient front basket with prominent branding

Dynamo powered, automatic front & rear lights

#### The shared bike riders love

- Unanimously rated the most comfortable bike share bike by The Ohio State University
- 30% lighter than competitive bike share bikes
- Consistent improvements to hardware and technology

# Zagster Station



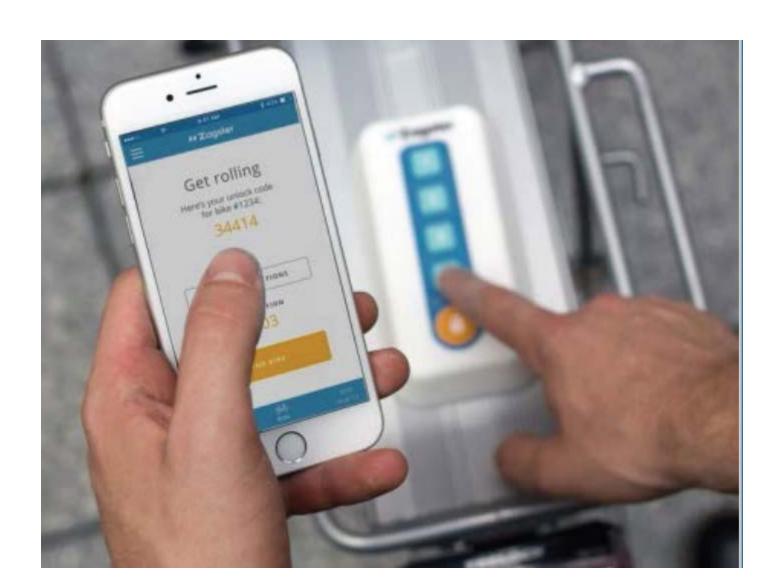




### Zagster Bike in Station



# Zagster User Interface



# Hubway Bicycle

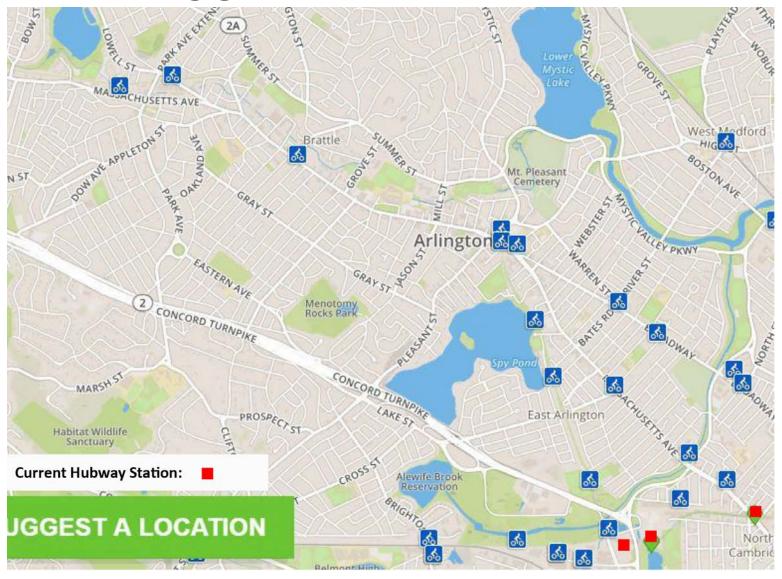




# Hubway User Interface



# User Suggested Station Locations



# Cost (assuming 5 stations, 50 bikes)

Option	Capital Cost	Annual Operating Cost	Annual Revenue (est.)
Zagster	\$0	\$90,000 (lease of equipment and services)	Potential for sponsorship \$18,000 (user fees)
Hubway	\$243,000 (town owns equipment)	\$125,000 (robust system services)	\$76,000 (sponsorship) \$120,000 (user fees)
Local system (Salem Spins)	\$25,000	\$5,000	\$0

# Timeframe

Option		
Zagster	Zagster ready to deploy in 2017 with 3-year agreement from community(ies)	
Hubway	<ul> <li>Operating contract with current cities being finalized through MAPC</li> <li>Title sponsor likely to be solicited in Q1 2017</li> <li>Could launch in 2017 if resources are available, but may take longer to solicit full range of sponsors and complete detailed system design</li> </ul>	
Local system	Uncertain; would require researching and procurement of equipment, operator, etc. by Arlington staff and volunteers	

# Summary

Option	
Zagster	System often used on campuses could provide an alternative to traditional bike rentals along the Minuteman with no capital expenses
Hubway	Established system with regional connections and existing user base has strong potential for expansion, but requires upfront capital investment (sponsorship opportunity TBD)
Local system	New system would offer maximum level of local control but with potential high upfront time and capital investment with no regional interoperability

# Next steps in early 2017

- Arlington: Vision 2020 survey questions to assess awareness and interest in bikeshare
- Lexington/Bedford: Keep abreast of their plans for bikeshare
- MAPC: Keep abreast of negotiations with the new Hubway contract, sponsorship, and plans of other neighboring communities, including Medford, Belmont, and Newton



Approval: Minuteman Bikeway 25th Anniversary Committee Roster

Summary:

Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager

**ATTACHMENTS:** 

Type File Name Description

Reference Material 25th\_Anniversary\_Memo\_1.4.17.pdf Memorandum to Board

# **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Jenny Raitt

From: Nat Strosberg

**Date:** January 4, 2017

**Re:** 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee Update

Below is an update on the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee. Please let me know if you have any questions.

#### Proposed slate:

- 1) Dan Dunn
- 2) Andrew Feller
- 3) Joey Glushko
- 4) Jock Hoffman
- 5) Jack Johnson
- 6) Charlie McCabe
- 7) Andrew McDonnell
- 8) Brucie Moulton
- 9) Linda Shoemaker
- 10) Nat Strosberg
- 11) Christopher Tonkin

#### Coordination/Schedule:

Committee meetings will be convened at 7:30pm on the third Thursday of each month at Town Hall, and will extend approximately two hours. The initial meeting will be Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 7:30pm.

#### **Updates:**

The committee will provide updates to the Town Manager and Board of Selectmen. Additional updates will be provided if necessary.

#### **Events:**

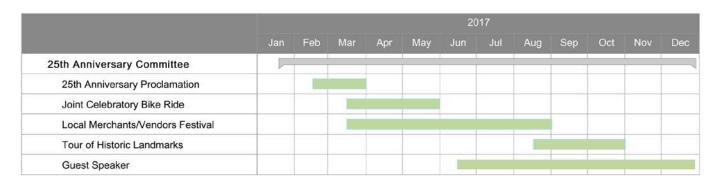
The committee will choose which events to hold in honor of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The following actions/events are possible:

- Board of Selectmen 25th anniversary proclamation
- Joint celebratory bike ride along the Bikeway with Lexington and Bedford
- Festival featuring local merchants/vendors at Bikeway nodes
- Tour of historic landmarks
- Bike-related guest speaker

Funding may be needed to support some of the events.

#### **Timeline (2017):**

The following chart shows an approximate span of time from the beginning of event planning to the actual event date:



Please let me know if I can provide further information.

Sincerely,

Nat



Approval: Lake Street/Bikeway Design Review Committee Roster

Summary:

Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager

**ATTACHMENTS:** 

Type File Name Description

□ Reference Material Lake\_Street\_\_Bikeway\_Intersection\_Design\_Comm.pdf Memorandum to Board



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**To:** Members of the Board of Selectmen

From: Adam Chapdelaine, Town Manager

RE: Lake Street/Bikeway Intersection Signalization Design Review Committee

Date: January 5, 2017

The Board had previously approved the formation of a Design Review Committee at the request of the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) to oversee the design of a signal at the intersection of Lake Street and the Minuteman Bikeway. I am requesting the Board's approval of the following committee roster:

- 1) Jeffrey Maxtutis TAC Representative
- 2) Elizabeth Shea ABAC Representative
- 3) Rachael Stark Walking in Arlington Representative
- 4) Alex Bilsky EALS Representative
- 5) Wayne Chouinard DPW
- 6) Officer Corey Rateau APD
- 7) Nat Strosberg Planning and Community Development

With the Board's approval of this roster, I will call the first meeting of this committee and initiate work on designing the improvements to the intersection. Please let me know if you have any questions.



## Concerns with Unacceptable Sidewalk Repairs on Lockeland Avenue

#### Summary:

Carolann DiNitto Howard & Marie DiNitto Bassett

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Type File Name Description

■ Reference Material Ref\_Mat\_Corresp\_Recvd\_1.9.17.pdf 55 Lockeland Ave. letter

### Carolann DiNitto Howard 55 Lockeland Avenue Arlington MA 02476

Marie DiNitto Bassett 55 Lockeland Avenue Arlington MA 02476

December 19, 2016

Mr. Adam Chapdelaine Town Manager 730 Massachusetts Avenue Arlington, MA 02476

Re: Unacceptable Sidewalk Repairs at 55 Lockeland Avenue

Dear Mr. Chapdelaine:

We are writing you with respect to the recent work that the Department of Public Work's performed on the sidewalk in front of our home. We find the work to be unacceptable as the DPW replaced portions of the concrete sidewalk with an asphalt sidewalk. This is the only property on Lockeland Avenue or Temple Street that have asphalt sidewalks. The asphalt is unsightly and devalues the property and the neighborhood as a whole.

We have discussed this matter with the DPW and were told that it is now the DPW's policy to replace the sidewalk abutting any trees with asphalt, as opposed to concrete, as it is their belief that the tree roots will ultimately cause the same type of sidewalk damage over the near future to any new section installed and that this approach is the most cost efficient way of handling such recurring issues. Although we do not dispute the cost savings, minimal as they may be (hundreds of dollars not thousands of dollars), of using asphalt, we feel that this approach is short-sighted as the concrete sidewalks currently in place have lasted decades (we have lived at 55 Lockeland Avenue for 50 years), including the sections abutting major trees, while the asphalt will need to be replaced in a matter of a few short years.

What is even more confounding to us is that the DPW installed a  $\sim 10$ ' section of continuous asphalt in front of a relatively small tree located directly in front of our home. The tree roots from this tree had insignificant adverse effect on why the sidewalk had to be replaced as evidenced by the lack of tree roots underlying the sidewalk sections that were removed. Note also that over the last couple of years the DPW has replaced numerous sections of sidewalks in our neighborhood with concrete sidewalks even though these sidewalks abutted much larger trees.

The main issue comes down to short term cost savings versus preserving the appearance of the neighborhood. Our neighborhood contains many historical homes, including 55 Lockeland Avenue, which is on the Town's historic registry, and we want to preserve (and improve when possible) this overall appearance and do not want our Town and neighborhood to end up looking like many of the neighborhoods in Somerville, Everett, East Boston, etc. We take great pride in the outward appearance of our home. In fact, we have made nearly \$100,000 worth of improvements to the exterior of our home over the last three years alone (not including lawn and landscaping costs). These improvements have resulted in an improved appearance to our home and neighborhood and additional tax dollars to the Town. In large part, due to the improvements we have recently made our tax bill has increased by over \$1,000/year in

each of the last three years (~\$3,000/year cumulatively). When this \$3,000/year INCREASE is compared to the few hundred dollars of additional one-time cost of using concrete vs. asphalt we fail to agree with the DPW that they made the correct decision especially when taking into account the unsightly appearance of the asphalt and the detrimental affect it has on the neighborhood's overall appearance. Note that we have received numerous comments from those living nearby that reflect our exact view on this matter.

In addition, not only have we lived in Arlington in this home for 50 years, my mother, Civita DiNitto worked for the town for 35 plus years in Arlington Public Schools. Both my sister and I currently work for the town in the Arlington Public Schools, and we take great pride in our home and our town. We would appreciate any help that you could provide us with relating to our mission towards having our concerns resolved. In the event you need to contact us directly, please feel free to call Carol at 617-640-9709.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Carolann DiNitto Howard

Marie DiNitto Bassett

cc: Arlington Selectmen, Steven M. Byrne Joseph A. Curro, Jr. Daniel J. Dunn Kevin F. Greeley Diane M. Mahon Marie Krepelka, Administrator



# Request Letter to "Opt Out" of Recreational Marijuana

Summary:

Karen Thomas-Alyea

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

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□ Reference Material Ref\_Mat\_1.9.17\_Corr.\_Recvd\_Opt\_Out.pdf request letter

**From:** "Marie Krepelka" <MKrepelka@town.arlington.ma.us> **To:** "MaryAnn Sullivan" <MSullivan@town.arlington.ma.us>

**Date:** 01/04/2017 12:51 PM

**Subject:** Fwd: referendum to opt-out

FYI
Marie A. Krepelka
Board Administrator
Arlington Board of Selectmen
730 Massachusetts Avenue
Arlington, MA 02476
Phone: 781-316-3022
Fax: 781-316-3029

www.arlingtonma.gov

----Original Message----

From: Karen Thomas-Alyea <a href="mailto:kthomasalyea@gmail.com">kthomasalyea@gmail.com</a>
To: mkrepelka@town.arlington.ma.us, smbyrne1987@gmail.com, jcurro@alumni.tufts.edu, dunster@dandunn.org, greeleycom@aol.com, dianemahon@verizon.net

Date: Mon, 2 Jan 2017 21:36:57 -0500 Subject: referendum to opt-out

Dear Arlington Board of Selectmen,

I would like for Arlington to hold a referendum to "opt out" of recreational marijuana sales facilities in our town. Is such a referendum already in the planning process? If not, could you please tell me what the procedure is for requesting a referendum?

I realize that the majority of voters in Arlington voted for Measure 4. However, there is a large difference between voting to legalize pot in general for the state, and wanting pot to be sold down the street from where your kids go to school or the library. Marijuana sales would have a huge impact on the character of Arlington. Up to now, Arlington has been a great family-friendly town, a place sought out for its excellent schools and parks. That character will change dramatically if we become a haven for pot pushers. Given the large impact of this decision, the residents should have the opportunity to vote whether or not they want pot sales inside our town.

Sincerely,

Karen E. Thomas-Alyea 157 Newport Street Arlington, MA 02476